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RICHMOND MEN SENTENCED FOR DRUG CONSPIRACY

(Richmond, VA) - Marvin Baskerville, Sr., age 32, and Travis Heiskell, age 25, both of Richmond, Virginia, were sentenced today for their roles in a conspiracy to distribute cocaine base. United States District Judge Robert E. Payne sentenced Baskerville to 235 months imprisonment and Heiskell to 235 months imprisonment. Baskerville and Heiskell pled guilty to the charges on August 1, 2006. Chuck Rosenberg, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia; James Gregorius, Assistant Special Agent-In-Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration; and Col. Henry Stanley, Chief, Henrico Police Department, announced the sentencing.

Baskerville and Heiskell ran a conspiracy to distribute "crack" cocaine that operated primarily in the Fulton Hill section of Richmond, Virginia, from January 2004 until May 2006, shortly before their arrests. Baskerville and Heiskell received their supply of "crack" cocaine from other local dealers and redistributed it to drug traffickers and users in the City. Both Baskerville and Heiskell acknowledged distributing between 150-500 grams of crack. They both also received a sentence enhancement for the use of firearms in the operation of the drug conspiracy.

The case was investigated by agents of the DEA and the Henrico Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Elizabeth C. Wu.